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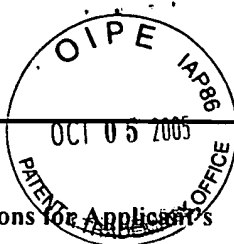
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	C12	PCT/US2004/038548 International Search Report (August 22, 2005)
	C13	Porro et al., <i>Applied and Environmental Microbiology</i> 65(9):4211-4215 (September 1999)
	C14	Bianchi et al., <i>Applied and Environmental Microbiology</i> 67(12):5621-5625 (December 2001)
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